

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RALPH D. HARTER,

Defendant.

CASE NO. *23-00237*

JUDGE *W. Nagel*

INDICTMENT

18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(4) and 924(a)(8)
18 U.S.C. § 930(a)

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT 1

(Possession of a Firearm by a Prohibited Person)

On or about November 16, 2023, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, **RALPH D. HARTER**, knowing that he had been adjudicated a mental defective, did knowingly possess firearms—specifically: (1) a Ruger, LCP II, .22 caliber pistol (S/N: 381066815), and (2) a North American Arms, .22 caliber long rifle (S/N: G29735)—and the firearms were in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(4) and 924(a)(8).

COUNT 2

(Firearm Possession in a Federal Facility)

On or about November 16, 2023, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, **RALPH D. HARTER**, did knowingly possess and cause to be present firearms and dangerous weapons—specifically: (1) a Ruger, LCP II, .22 caliber pistol

(S/N: 381066815), and (2) a North American Arms, .22 caliber long rifle (S/N: G29735)—in the Marietta Veterans Affairs Clinic, a Federal facility.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 930(a).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

The allegations of the Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures to the United States of America under 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

Upon conviction of any of the offenses alleged in Counts 1 or 2, the defendant, **RALPH D. HARTER**, shall forfeit to the United States any firearms or ammunition involved or used in such offense(s), including, but not limited to the following:

	Make	Model/Description	Serial #
a.	Ruger	LCP II .22 caliber pistol	381066815
b.	North American Arms	.22 caliber long rifle	G29735
c.	Ammunition	.22 caliber (yellow casing)	

Forfeiture notice pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1), 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

s/Foreperson
Foreperson

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